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ONE OF THE unsung heroes of the Nazi holocaust, a man who saved more than 10,000 Jews from the concentration camps, may himself still be a prisoner of the Soviet archipelago. A 30-year international effort to learn the fate of this World War II crusader has been rebuffed by the Kremlin.

Raoul Wallenberg, a distinguished Swedish diplomat and scion of a wealthy Stockholm family, organized a campaign to save the lives of thousands of Jews who were to be deported to Nazi death factories from Budapest, Hungary.

The young diplomat invented a "protective passport" with the triple-crown seal of the Swedish king, which put thousands of Jews under the wing of the Swedish government.

FAHN, using title more than his wife and diplomatic staff, Wallenberg obtained housing for his Jewish charges inside Budapest. When Nazi S.S. tried to attack the ghetto, he was saved by Wallenberg and his family who threatened international retaliation if the Jews were harmed.

Presently an anti-semitic book
brought the author to complain
the library had not an anti-semitic
library. Asked what he meant
he answered, "I mean books
concerned to the Nazi's dependence
the Jews being found. I have taken

A forced march to Austria was ordered.

Wallenberg and his aides traveled the highway daily, intercepting the death march and flashing diplomatic papers. They managed to save the lives of hundreds of victims.

Soviet soldiers finally closed in on Budapest. But instead of welcoming Wahlenberg as a hero, the Soviets seized him and shipped him off to Russia. He became a "non-person" in one of the Kremlin's nameless penal institutions.

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AT FIRST, the Soviets denied that they had abducted the Swedish diplomat. But the story was proven to be false, so Soviet officials said Wallenberg had been taken captive, and had died in July 1947 in Soviet custody.

But the death-wish on the slaves' freedom was a popular one, general, and fervent; and over, throughout its whole history, the South has been a slave-state, and is probably the largest slave-state in the world.

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